

June 1, 2015

## **PUBLIC SAFETY/JUSTICE FACILITY COMMITTEE REPORT**

A Public Safety/Justice Facility Committee meeting was held on Monday, June 1, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Quorum Court Room, County Administration Building, Third Floor, 215 East Central, Bentonville, Arkansas

Committee Members Present: Jones, Adams, Allen, Leadabrand, Shadlow  
Absent: Anglin, Moehring

Others Present: County Judge Bob Clinard, Assessor Linda Hambrick, Circuit Judge Division 6 Doug Schrantz, JP's Sandlin, Easley, Meyers, K. Harrison, Administrator of General Services John Sudduth, Comptroller Brenda Guenther, Captain Gyll, Director of Solid Waste District Wendy Cravens, Environmental Program Coordinator Teresa Sidwell

Media: Tom Sissom

JP Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### **Public Comments:**

None

### **Countywide Cleanup/Convenience Center Expansion**

Solid Waste District Director Wendy Cravens presented a power-point presentation of the proposal to establish a County Convenience Center Satellite Pilot Program. She reported that the proposed Pilot Program project proposes satellite convenience center locations at the Rogers Recycling Center and the Siloam Springs Recycling and Transfer Station. She stated that the proposed project would better utilize taxpayer funds, and serve the needs of the county citizens. She asked that the county focus more attention on the county's convenience center operation with the Benton County Solid Waste District's location near Centerton and do away with the annual cleanup events.

After lengthy discussion was held on establishing and funding the proposed pilot program and discontinuing the spring and fall county cleanups, JP Allen made motion to forward the Convenience Center Satellite Pilot Program proposal with no fall cleanup, to the June 04, 2015 Finance Committee for further discussion, seconded by JP Leadabrand.

JP Adams stated that he liked the idea; he liked the concept, but that he did not like the idea to do away with the fall cleanup. JP Adams stated that he would like to still do the fall cleanup and then look at the concept at budget time. He said that he questioned whether in six months that we can educate enough people.

Further lengthy discussion was held to promote the proposed program and advertising to make the citizens of the county aware of the Convenience Center Pilot Program.

JP Allen stated that the county has to choose between the cleanup event, which is a popular program or a program to make the same services available on a regular basis. He suggested implementing the program and targeting one Saturday in the fall as a special day similar to the current county cleanup, but using the new locations. He stated that he would not support spending the money to have a dedicated cleanup event and fund a pilot program.

Wendy Cravens stated that JP Allen's idea could be useful as part of a public awareness effort for the new convenience center operation. She said there is some benefit to having one final cleanup and using the event to tell people this is the last one.

JP Jones called for the vote.

Motion passed by a show of hands vote.

3 in favor: Allen, Leadabrand, Jones

2 against: Adams, Shadlow

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm